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In re Patent Application of:
Kazumi MINOGUCHI et al.**Application No.:** 10/827,446**Confirmation No.:** 2718**Filed:** April 20, 2004**Art Unit:** 3731**For:** TOOTH-HARDENING APPARATUS**Examiner:** R.J. Severson**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111****MS AMENDMENT**
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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated January 2, 2008, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This response includes:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.